15 November 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Resume of OCB Luncheon Meeting, 6 November 1957

PRESENT: Mr. Cutler, Mr. Dearborn, Mr. Dulles, Mr. Gray, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Quarles, Mr. Scribner, Mr. Smith, Mr. Stassen, Adm. Strauss, Mr. Washburn, Mr. Staats

1. The group discussed the paper on "Possible US Actions in the Weapons and Technological Field," which outlines actions which could be taken "to increase confidence at home and abroad with respect to technological and defense capabilities."

Two of the three categories of proposed actions were discussed in detail--those which could be done in the immediate future and those which might be possible within the next few months. The third category--actions which might be undertaken within the next year--was not reached because of lack of time.

Each item was carefully considered from the point of view of its psychological impact at home and abroad, and on this basis several were rejected as being unwise. With regard to the others the department or departments of the government which had primary interest were indicated.

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